

## 1<sup>st</sup> Conference on Mediterranean Studies

# Renewable Energy and the Environment: Social, Political and Economic Dimensions - Program -

9-10 October 2020, Yaşar University Venue: Online - Zoom

## First Day: 9 October 2020, Friday

10:00- 10:15: Institutional Greetings and Welcome

10:15- 11:00: Keynote Speech: Ümit Şahin, Sabancı University Istanbul Policy Center

"Fossil Fuel Rush in the Eastern Mediterranean: Climate Crisis and Environmental Perspectives"

11:00 - 11:30: Break

## 11:30 – 13:00: 1st Session

Chair: Aylin GÜNEY, Yaşar University

11:30 – 11:45: Fulvio ATTİNÀ, University of Catania

"Climate Change and the Triangular World Politics"

11:50 – 12:05: Argun BAŞKAN, Ege University

"Climate Change and the Ongoing Syrian Civil War"

12:10 – 12:25: Zeynep CLULOW & David REINER, University of Cambridge

"Democracy and Electricity: Institutions, Industrial Representation and Technology Deployment Rates"

12:30 – 12:45: Sanem ÖZER, Akdeniz University

"European Stability and a Sustainable Energy System in North Africa"

12:50 - 13:00: Discussion

13:00 - 14:00: Lunch Break

## 14:00 - 15:30: 2<sup>nd</sup> Session

Chair: Durmuş ÖZDEMİR, Yaşar University

#### **14:00 – 14:15: Merve KESER,** *Yaşar University*

"Green Growth in Emerging Economies: Empirical Analysis for the BRICS Countries"

## 14:20 – 14:35: Ebru YEŞİLÇAYIR & Özden BİRKAN, Yaşar University

"Modelling Carbon Dioxide and Sulfur Dioxide Emissions Using Dynamic Panel Techniques: Evidence on the Environmental Kuznets Curve (EKC)"

## 14:40 – 14:55: Yasemin ÖZAK COŞKUN, Middle East Technical University

"Carbon Border Tax Adjustment: A Myth or a Reality?"

#### 15:00 – 15:15: Alaaddin TOK, Yildiz Technical University

"Energy and the Environment in the Late Ottoman Environment: An Inquiry into Heating in Anatolia"

15:20 - 15:30: Discussion

15:30 - 16:00: Break

## 16:00 - 17:30: 3rd Session

Chair: Emre İŞERİ, Yaşar University

#### 16:00 – 16:15: Giorgos VELEGRAKİS, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

"Digging up Mediterranean's 'Incalculable Underground Black Gold': Oil Aspirations and Explorations in Crisis-ridden Greece"

## 16:20 – 16:35: Irmak ERTÖR, Boğaziçi University

"Blue Degrowth: An Alternative to the Energy Quest of Blue Growth Imperative"

#### 16:40 – 16:55: Tuğçe UYGURTÜRK, Yaşar University

"Analysis of Renewable Energy Policies in the Context of Energy Transmission in Turkey"

17:00 - 17:30: Discussion

# Second Day: 10 October 2020, Saturday

## 10:00 - 11:30: 4th Session

Chair: Levent BİLİR, Yaşar University

10:00 - 10:15: Cenk SEVİM, AERO Rüzgar Endüstrisi A.Ş

"General Overview of Climate Change Problem and Renewable Energy Investment Trends"

10:20 – 10:35: Graeme HANSSEN, Yaşar University

"Urban Mobility and Emergent Social Dimensions of New Transport Modes"

10:40 – 10:55: Özge BAŞAĞAÇ, Yaşar University

"Sustaining the Light: Aegean Lighthouses and Energy Provision through the Centuries"

11:00 – 11:15: Nezir Yağız ÇAM, Yaşar University

"Energy Storage Technologies for Energy Security"

11:20 - 11:30: Discussion

11:30 - 12:00: Break

12:00 - 13:30: 5th Session

Chair: Sinan ÜNLÜSOY, Yaşar University

12:00 - 12:15: Mehmet KURU, Sabancı University

"The Lifeline of Izmir: Ground Water Resources of Western Anatolia and the Rise of Izmir in the 17th Century"

12:20 – 12:35: Çağrı ERYILMAZ, Bakırçay University

"Aydın İlinde Jeotermal Enerji Santrali (JES) Karşıtı Protestolar: Geçim Kaynağını ve Yaşam Alanını Korumak"

12:40 – 12:55: Layra METE & Arca YILMAZ, Sabancı University & Boğaziçi University

"The Importance of REScoops and Energy Democracy: Examples of France, Italy and Spain"

13:00 – 13:15: İbrahim HAMALOĞLU, Ege University

"Smyrna and its Changing Climate According to Medical Reports in First Half of XIXth Century"

13:20 - 13:30: Discussion

13:30 - 14:00: Lunch Break

# 14:00 - 15:30: 6th Session

Chair: Defne GÜNAY, Yaşar University

14:00 – 14:15: Orçun DEMİR, TOBB Economics and Technology University

"State Identity, Energy Security, and Foreign Policy: A Comparative Analysis of Germany and Turkey"

14:20 – 14:35: Özge CAN & Defne GÖNENÇ, Yaşar University

"Environmental Groups and Renewable Energy in Turkey: The Case of Aegean Region"

14:40 – 14:55: Büşra BOZKURT, Yaşar University

"The Role of Regional Governance on Environmental Migration"

15:00 - 15:30: Discussion

15:30 - 16:00: Break

## 16:00 - 17:30: 7th Session

Chair: Elif ÇETİN, Yaşar University

16:00 – 16:15: Nurbanu BULGUR, Sakarya University

"Environmental Policy of the European Union: The Spread of Norms or Environmental Security?"

16:20 – 16:35: Burag GÜRDEN, Durham University

"Governing the Water-Energy Nexus: Sustainable Resource Governance for Development in Turkey"

16:40 - 16:55: Eman ABUSAADA & Volkan S. EDİGER, Kadir Has University

"Public Opinion on Renewable Energy Transition in United Arab Emirates"

17:00 – 17:30: Final Discussion and Concluding Remarks

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